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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2714**  
Makoto KOMATSU et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003\_0950A  
Serial No. 10/617,025 : Group Art Unit 1711  
Filed July 11, 2003 : Examiner Olga Asinovsky  
SOLID REAGENTS : **Mail Stop: Amendment**

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of May 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975